FIGHTING SINFULNESS.

Dr. Talmage Says in Christian Warfare There Is Much Accomplished by Waiting for Opportunities.

From an old time battle scene Dr. Talmage in this discourse makes some startling suggestions as to the best styles of Christian work and points out the reason of so many pious failures; text, Joshua viii, 7, "Then shall ye rise up from the ambush and seize upon

One Sabbath evening, with my family around me, we were talking over the scene of the text. In the wide open eyes and the quick interrogations and the blanched cheeks I realized what a thrilling drams it was. There is the eld eity, shorter by name than any other city in the ages, spelled with two letters A, I, Ai. Joshus and his men want to take it. How to do it is the question. On a former occasion, in a straightforward, face to face light, they had been defeated, but now they are going to take it by ambuscade. General Joshua has two divisions in his army. The one division the battle worn commander will lead himself, the other division he sends off to encamp in an ambush on the west side of the city of Ai. No torches, no lanterns, no sound of heavy battalions, but 30,-\$00 swarthy warriors moving in silence speaking only in a whisper; ne clicking of swords against shields lest the watchmen of Ai discover it and the stratagem be a failure. If the roistering soldier in the Israelite army forgets himself, all along the line the word is

Joshua takes the other division, the one with which he is to march, and puts it on the north side of the city of Ai and then spends the night in recen noitering in the valley. There he is, thinking over the fortunes of the coming day with something of the feelings of Wellington the night before Water-lee er of Meade and Lee, the night before Gettysburg. There he stands in the night and says to himself: "Yender is the division in ambush on the west side of Ai. Here is the division I have under my especial command on the north side of Ai. There is the old eity slumbering in its sin. To-morrow will be the battle." Look! The morning already begins to tip the hills. The military officers of Ai look out in the morning very early, and, while they do not see the division in ambush, they schold the other divisions of Joshua, and the ery "To arms! To arms!" ring through all the streets of the old town and every sword, whether hacked and bent or newly welded, is brought out, and all the inhabitants of the city of Ai pour through the gates, an infuri-ated torrest, and their cry is, "Come, we'll make quick work with Joshua and

his troops!" No soener had these people of Ai come out against the troops of Joshua than Joshus gave such a command as he seldom gave such a command as he seldom gave—"Fall back!" Why, they could not believe their own ears! Is Joshua's courage failing him? The retreat is beaten, and the Israelites are flying, throwing blankets and canteens on every side under this worse than Bull Run dedest. And you ought to hear the soldiers of Ai cheer and cheer and sheer. But they huzza too soon. The men lying in ambush are straining their vision to get some signal from Joshua that they may know what time to drop upon the city. Joshua takes his burnished spear glittering in the sun like a shaft of doom and points it toward the city, and when the men up youder in the ambush see it with hawlike swoop they drop upon Ai and without stroke of sword or stab or spear

take the city and put it to the torch. So much for the division that was in ambush. How about the division under Joshua's command? No sooner does Joshus step in the flight than all his men stop with him, and as he wheels they wheel, for in a voice of thunder he cried "Halt!" one strong arm driving back a torrent of flying troops. And then, as he points his spear through the golden light toward that fated city, his troops know that they are to start for it. What a scene it was when the division in ambush which had taken the city marched down against the men of Ai on the one side. an the troops under Joshua doubled up their enemies from the other side, and the men of Ai were caught between these two hurricanes of Israelitish courage, thrust before and behind, stabbed in breast and back, ground between the upper and the nether millstones of @-d's indignation! Woe to the city of Ai! Clasy for Israel!

Lesson the first: There is such a thing as victorious retreat. Joshua's falling back was the first chapter in his successful beseigement. And there are times in year life when the best thing yen can de is to run. You were once the victim of strong drink. The demijohn and the desanter were your ferce foes. They came down upon you with greater fury than the men of Ai upon the men of Joshua. Your only safety is to get away fram them. Your dissipating companions will come around for your everthrow. Run for your life! Fall back! Fall back from the drinking saloon! Fall back from the wine party! Your flight is your advance; your retreat is your victory. There is lawful ambuscade captured the city of a saloon down on the next street that has almost been the ruin of your soul. Then why do you go along that street? Why do you not pass through some other street rather than by the place of your salamity? A spoonful of brandy taken for medicinal purposes by a man whe 20 years before had been reformed from drunkenness hurled into inebriety and the grave one of the best friends but just wait until the door of their I ever had. Retreat is victory!

Se, also, there is victorious retreat in the religious world. Thousands of times the kingdom of Christ has seemed the Vandois of France chose extermination rather than make an unchristian surrender, when on St. Bartholomew's letting is good in August! Kill! Death arms around his sinewy neck and asked te the Huguepets! Kill!" when Lady some simple clestion about God. Sane Grev's head rolled from the exe- Oh, make a fank movement! Steal entioner's block, when Calvin was im- | march on the devil! Cheat that maninto prisoned in the eastle, when John heaven! A \$5 treatise that will stand Knex died for the truth, when John all the laws of homileties may fail to do Bunyan lay rotting in Bedford jail, that which a penny track of Christian saying. "If God will help me and my entreaty may accomplish. Oh, for more physical life continues, I will stay here Christians in ambuscade—net lying in until the mess grows on my eyebrews | idleness, but waiting for aquick spring, rather than give up my faith," the days | waiting until just the right time comes! of retreat for the church were days of | Do not talk to a man about the vanity yistory. The church of Christ falling of this world on the day when he has

Rue St. Jacques, falling back from St. | sell it at "15." But talk to him about Denis, falling back from Warttemberg castles, falling back from the Brussels market place, yet all the time triumphing. Notwithstanding all the shocking | rub a man's disposition the wrong way; reverses which the church of Christ do not take the imperative mood when suffers, what do we see today? Twelve thousand missionaries of the cross on heathen grounds; eighty thousand min-isters of Jesus Christ in this land: at ment with an icicle. You can take any on the earth. Falling back, yet advancing until the old Wesleyan hymn will

The Lion of Judah shall break the chain And give us the victory sgain and again!

But there is a more marked illustration of victorious retreat in the life of our Joshua, the Jesus of the ages. First falling back from an appalling height to an appalling depth, falling from celestial hills to terrestrial valleys, from throne to manger; yet that did not seem to suffice him as a retreat. Falling back still farther from Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Nazareth to Jerusalem, back from Jerusalem to Golgotha, back from Golgotha to the nauseleum in the rock, back down over the precipices of perdition until he walked amid the caverns of the eternal captives and drank of the wine of the wrath of Almighty God, amid the Ahabs, and the Jezebels, and the Bel-shazzars. Oh, men of the pulpit and men of the pew, Christ's descent from heaven to earth does not measure half the distance! It was from glory to perdition. He descended into hell. All the records of earshly retreat are as nothing compared with this falling back. Santa Anna, with the fragments of his army flying over the plateaus of Mexico and Napoleon and his army retreating from Moscow, into the awful snows of Russia are not worthy to be mentioned with this retreat, when all the powers of darkness seem to be pursuing Christ as he fell back, until the body of him who came to do such wonderful things ay pulseless and stripped. Methinks hat the city of Ai was not se emptied of its inhabitants when they went to pursue Joshua as perdition was emptied of devils when they started for the pursuit of Christ, and he fell back and back, down lower, down lower, chasm below chasm, pit below pit, until he seemed to strike the bettom of objurgation and scorn and terture. Oh, the long, loud, jubilant shout of hell at the defeat of the Lord God Almighty!

But let not the powers of darkness rejoice quite se soen. Do you hear that disturbance in the tomb of Arimathea? I hear the sheet rending! What means that stone hurled down the side of the hill? Who is this coming out? Push him back! The dead must not stalk in this open sunlight. Oh, it is our Joshua. Let him come out. He comes forth and starts for the city. He takes the spear of the Roman guard and points that way. Church militant marches up on one side, and the church triumphant marches down on the other side. And the powers of darkness being caught between these ranks of celestial and terrestrial valor nothing is lefof them save just enough to illustrate Joshua's eternal victory. On his head the seepters. At his feet be all the hu- they are not properly treated. I enman hearts; and here, Lord, is one of close herewith copy of the report of the

Lesson the second: The triumph of the wicked is short. Did you ever see an army in a panis? There is nothing so uncontrollable. If you had stood at Long bridge. Washington, during the opening of our sad civil war, you would know what it is to see an army run. And when those men of Ai looked out and saw those men of Joshua in a stampede they expected easy work. They would scatter them as the equinox the leaves. Oh, the gleeful and jubilant descent of the men of Ai upon the men of Joshua! But their exhilaration was brief, for the tide of battle turned, and these quendam conquerors left their miserable carcasses in the wilderness of Bethaven. So it always is. The triumph of the wicked is short. You make \$20,000 at the gaming table. Do you expect to keep it? You will die in the poorheuse. You wade a fortune by iniquitous traffe. Do you expect to keep it? Your money will seatter, or it will stay long enough to curse your children after you are dead. Call over the roll of bad men who prospered and see how short was their prosperity. For awhile, like the conquest, but after awhile disaster rolled back apon them, and they were divided into three parts. Misfortune took their property, the grave teck their body and the lost world took their soul. I am always interested in the building of palaces of dissipation. I like to have them built of the best granite and have the rooms made large and to have the pillars made very firm. God is going to conquer them, and they will be turned into asylumns and art galleries and churches. The stores in which fraudulent men do business, the splendid banking institutions where the the inquest the next morning. He president and cashier put all their property in their wives' hands and then fail for \$500,000, all these institutions are to become the places where honest Christian men do business.

Lesson the third: How much may be accomplished by lying in ambush for apportunities, Are yea hypercritical of Joshua's maneuver? De you say that it was cheating for him to take that city by ambuscade? Was it ship of that State infavor of the wrong for Washington to kindle camp. ares on Jersey heights, giving the impression to the opposing force that a great army was encamped there when there was none at all? I answer, if the war was right, then Jeshua was right in his stratagem. He violated no fiag of | judge dissenting. The other two truce. He broke no treaty, but by a Bepublican judges, Burnam Ai. Oh, that we all knew how to lie in ambush for opportunities to serve Ged. The best of our opportunities do not lie on the surface, but are secreted. By tack, by stratagem, by Christian ambuscade, you may take almost any castle of sin for Christ. Come up toward men with a regular besiegement of argument and you will be defeated, hearts is set ajar, or they are of their from home, and then drop in on them from a Christian ambuseade. There to fall back. When the blood of the has been many a man up to his chin in Scotch Covenanters gave a deeper dye scientific portfolies which proved there to the heather of the highlands, when was no Christ and ne divine revelation, his pen a sciweter fung into the heart of theological opponents, who nevertheless has been discomfited and eaptured day mounted assassins rode through the | for God by some little 3-year-old child streets of Paris, crying "Kill! Blood- who has got up and put her snowy

"If God will help me and my entreaty may accomplish. Oh, for more court. back from Piedmont, falling back from | bought something at "12" and going to

the vanity of the world on the day when he has bought something at "15" and is compelled to sell it at "12!" Do not the subjunctive mood do just as well; do not talk in perfervid style to a phlegmatic nor try to tickle a torrid temperaleast four bundred million of Christians | man for Christ if you know how to get at him. Do not send word to him that tomorrow at 10 o'clock you propose to open your batteries upon him, but come on him by a skillful, persevering, God

directed ambuscade. I believe that the next year will be the most stupendous year that heaven ever saw. The nations are quaking new with the coming of God. It will be a year of success for the men of Joshua, but of doom for the men of Ai. You put your ear to the rail track, and you can hear the train coming miles away. So I put my ear to the ground, and I hear the thundering on of the lightning train of God's mercies and judgments. The mercy of God is first to be tried upon this nation. It will be preached in the pulpits, in theaters, on the streets-everywhere. People will be invited to accept the mercy of the gospel, and the story and the song and the prayer will be "merey." But suppose they do not accept the offer of mercy—what then? Then God will come with his judgments, and the hoppers will eat the crops, and the freshets will devastate the valleys, and the defalcation will swallow the money markets, and the fires will burn the cities, and the earth will quake from pole to pole. Year of mercies and of judgments; year of invitation and of warning; year of jubilee and of woe. Which side are you going to be enwith the men of Ai or the men of Joshus? Pass over this Sabbath into the ranks of Israel. I would clap my hands at the joy of your coming. You will have a poor chance for this world and the world to come without Jesus. You cannot stand what is to come upon you and upon the world unless you have the parden and the comfort and the help of Uhrist. Come over. Or this side are your happiness and safety; on the other side are disquietude and despair. Eternal defeat to the men of Ai. Eternal victory to the men of Joshua.

THE ITALIAN MINER KILLED.

By His Fellow Countryman in Self-Defence.

Mr. G. Sottile, consul of his Italian Majesty at Charleston, who has been using his utmost endeavor to alleviate the sufferings of certain of his fellow countrymen who are reported to have been badly used in the phosphate mines of South Carolina, has received the following letter and report from Governor McSweeney:

The Hon. G. Sottile, Consular Agent of Italy, Charleston, S. C.—Dear Sir: Yours of the 4th received. The matter about which you complain I will take up with the Attorney General of the State and see if any can be done to rethe direful overthrow of hell and our lieve the suffering of these men em-Joshua's eternal victory. On his head ployed in the phosphate works, provid-be all the crowns. In his hands be all ed after investigation it is found that sheriff of Colleton as required by you.

I am yours truly, M. B. McSweeney, Governor of South Carolina. The report referred to is as follows: Hon. M. B. McSweeney, Governor of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C .- Dear Sir: Pursuant to your request of the 13th instant, concerning the homicide committed at the Pon-Pon Phosphate Works some time ago, I went to the Italian camp near said works on the 16th instant, and made a full investigation. I found that on the 26th day of February last one Filippo Bonavitacolla and one Frank Vecostria, both Italians, became involved in a quarrel at the store kept by one Frank Pizzo, an Italian; that a personal difficulty followed, in which the deceased, Filippo Bonavitaeolla, was shot and killed by Domenico. I examined all the persons who saw the shooting, and from their testimony I infer that it was a clear case of self-defense. Immediatsly after the shooting Domenico Viscastria escaped and has not been heard from since, though it seems every effort was made to capture him. I am informed that Mr. Matthew Hertz, who men of Ai, they went from conquest to has charge of the mining operations at the said works, immediately after the killing, employed two detectives to capture and bring back the said Domenico Vicastria.

I would also report that on 27th day of February last, Magistrate C. W. Butler, acting coroner, held an inquest over the dead body of Filippo Bonavitacolla, (a copy of the proceedings at said inquest, together with the finding of the jury, is hereto annexed and made a part of this report.) It appears that the magistrate was notified immediately after the killing and held also issued at once his warrant of arrest the said Domenico Vicastria and placed it in the hands of his constable for service. Very respectfully,

L. G. Owens, Sheriff of Colleton County.

The Democrats Win. The Kentucky Court of Appeals has decided the governor-Democrats. The opinion is by six of the judges, four Demoerats and two Republicans. One Republican, Durelle, dissented. Judge Durelle was the only and Guffey, gave a seperate udges, but which agrees with the Democratic members in its conclusion. Judge Hobson wrote the opinion of the court. The concurrence of Judges Burnam and Guffey with the four Democratic judges was a sur-prise generally, but to the Reseating Governor Beckham was ture, being regular, cannot be impeached. The Republicans may now try to get a hearing before the United States supreme

A kingdom for a cure. You need not pay se mush. twenty ave cent bottle of L. L. & Will drive all ills away. See ad. and try it-never fails.

ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.

the Coming Event.

Dr. Jas. H. Carlisle, of Wofford colege, has sent the following notes on eclipses of the sun, especially the one about to take place, to the News and Courier:

Louis XV of France (1710-1774) asked or commanded one of the French astronomers to find out when he could hope to see a total eclipse of the sun. A list of eclipses was laboriously prepared. If the King had lived to this day in Paris he would never have had eclipse will not be total in Paris. In 1847 a central eclipse passed over Paris, but the disk of the moon was too small only an annular eclipse.

Will some of the oldest residents in

Charleston tell of the total eclipse in 834. November 30? A reference to the files of the Charleston Courier might be of interest. The present generation will soon have the rare privilege of being pleased and startled, even awed, by this great object lesson. The moon's dark shadow will cross our state May 28, in a path about fifty miles wide, nearly parallel to our seacoast and a little above the middle of the State. Take a map of South Carolina. lay a ruler touching Newberry and Winnsboro. Draw a straight line between these twe towns, prolonging the line each way to the edge of Georgia and North Carolina. The centre of the moon's shadow will move very nearly along that line, passing over Lancaster. Draw a line on each side of that line parallel to it about twenty-five miles distant. That belt will very nearly cover the section on which the eclipse will be total. It is striking to see how many towns will be covered. The upper line runs very near Abbeville, Laurens, Union, Yorkville; the lower to Edgefield, Lexington, Columbia, Camden, Bennettsville.

This total belt will be prolonged to the old world, ending in northern Exppt near the Red Sea. It is safe to predict that this eclipse will be honored by a more numerous company of expert gazers than ever studied any similar benemenon. In the two minutes of the total eclipse many questions will be asked of the sun and moon. Some will probably be answered and yet the answers will suggest new questions, thus illustrating the saying that as we plarge the sircle of light we only enarge the surrounning circle of darkness. The newspapers, our great public educaers, will prepare old and young to ook intelligently on the wounderful pectacle. Our officials in the national bservatory have issued an instructive amphlet with maps.

The following description of a total clipse of the sun, by Prof. J. Russell Hind, of the Royal Astronomical Society of London, is worth quoting just

During the eclipse of 1842 nearly the whole population of some of the principal cities of Southern France and Italy, which were upon the central line, turned out to view the rare phenomenon of a total deprivation of the sun's light in the day time. At Paris Mr. "there was an unusual shout, says, who observed at Perpignan, says: Nearly twenty thousand persons covered the terraces, ramparts and other eminences about the place and that an astounding shout from the multitued announced sun's rays At Milan, Padua, etc., the ive the astronomers!" was the cry when he rose colored fames burst forth on he bright ground of the corons, during the total obscuration. Two hundred years previously many of the inhabitants of Paris hid themselves in eaves on the mere announcement of an eclipse of the sun, which was total in that city. In July, 1842, in the south of France, horses attached to vehicles same to a decided stand, and no exerions of the drivers, though backed by the whip, could induce them to proceed until the sun had again appeared. Cattle in the fields congregated together mmediately after darkness came on, as f in apprehension of an attack. Dogs in particular appeared to have been sensible of some unnatural event, howling piteously during the deprivation of the sun's rays, or hastily seeking some place of safety. * * The birds in the trees, near Lodi, suddenly ceased singing at the moment when the total ebscuration came on. * * At Milan the bees quitted their hives in great numbers soon after sunrise, but returned to them in haste immediately

the last rays of the sun had vanished. The astronomers who can predict an eclipse a hundred years in advance, cannot tell whether a little cloud may not suddenly form a half hour before the thrilling moment hiding all the wonderful spectacle from their eyes. Man is a strange compound of wisdom and ignorance, of strength and weak-

'Alas the human mind's at fault, For still by turns it claims, A nobleness that may exait, A littleness that shames,

Of strength and weakness till combined Compounded of the mean and grand, And trifles thus may shape the mind, That could a tempest stand!"

Wofford College. A Murder in Colleton. The Columbia Record says Railroad Commissioner Garris, while in Columbia Saturday, reported a murder in Colleton county near the Bamberg line, which has not heretofore been published. Last Tuesday week John Gasopinion from the Democratic kins, a white man, left Branchville with a load of fertilizers. He was joined by a negro named Hampton Simmons, whom he allowed to ride with him as far as the negro's cabin. Last Wednesday evening the body of Gaskins was found in Simmons' yard, he having received a a load of buckshot in the face. Simmon's has left for parts unknown, but before going he took his children to his | velopments before making anpublicans especially, and there sister's house. He told her that Gasis much speculation now as to kins was drunk and on arriving at Simwhether the talked-of appeal to mons' cabin shot one of his enickens the supreme court will be prose- with a pistel. Simmons remoustrated cuted. The opinion holds that with him and he alleges that Gaskins the action of the legislature in threatened to shoot him, whereupon Simmous went to his house and got out his gun and let Gaskins have a lead of candidate. If on the other hand final and that the courts have no buckshot in the face. That is his it has been seen that there is power to review it; that Gover- story, but he has skipped away and no absolutely no possibility to capnor Taylor exceeded his author- arrests has been made. It is a coincid- ture the regular Democratic ity in adjourning the legislature ence that Gaskins' brother was also nomination, the question of his to London and that the journals of the two houses of the legisla
buckshot and a negro is now serving a will be discussed, and decided with a load of buckshot and a negro is now serving a will be discussed, and decided term in the penitentiary for the crime.

> Gainesville, Ga., Dec. 8, 1899 been used in my family and I am perfectly satisfied that it is all, and will do all, you claim for it. Yours truly, A. B. C. Dorsey.

druggists.

WILL TRY HIS OLD PULL.

Interesting and Instructive Notes on Negro Republican Will Endeavor to Save Collector Telbert.

Seymour Smith, the negro deputy collector and cashier of the department of customs at Charleston, has gone to Washington in the interest of Collector of the Port Tolbert and Deputy Collector Ostendorff. Smith is the negro who was imported from Aiken as the successor of Mr. George Milligan shortly after Col. Tolbert succeeded Capt George D. Bryan as collector of the port. Smith has been prominent in the councils of the Republican party the coveted privilege. The coming in the upper part of the State, and he was one of the delegates to the convention which nominated President Me-Kinley. He is thought by some of the to hide all the face of the sun, it being Republican party workers to have a pull with the powers. It is because of this alleged pull that he has gone to Washington, according to the rumor in circulation, to save the official heads of Col. Tolbert and Capt. Ostendorff and other subordinate officials, if the heads are really in jeopardy because of the recent violation of the customs regulations and the dispensary law, in the storing of the centraband liquors in the custom house. The Washington correspondent of the Charleston Evening Post telegraphed the following report Wednesday afternoon:

"Gen. Spalding, assistant secretary of the treasury, in response to my inquiry, states he has just read report on custom house matter, but he has nothing to give out at present." It will be seen from this telegram that the department now has the report of Mr. Masatee and it remains to be seen what action the department will take. A dispatch from Washington says the secretary of the treasury has re-

received a report from the special agent who has conducted the investigation of the reported use of the eastem house at Charleston for the storage of contraband liquors for illicit sales. A number of officers and employees of the custom house were asked for an explanation of the finding of the liquor, but all diclaimed having any knowledge concerning it except one of the night men who admitted having allowed some of his friends to keep the liquor there. Other testimony disclosed information which led the officers making the investigation to believe that the liquor belonged to a certain individual in Charlesto who has a wholesale liquor dealer's license. The sonelusion of the officials is that a certain deputy collector is responsible for the storing of liquors in the custom house and that several employees had full knowledge of it. The report is accompanied by copies of the testimony taken. The treasury oficials have taken no action in regard to the matter but there seems to be no doubt that the guilty parties

will be immediately brought to justice. A Boomerang. Dewey's announcement that he is a candidate for the presidency is likely to prove a boomerang to those gold-bugs who induced him to make it. According to the Washington correspondent of the Atlantz Journal the scheme was engineered by which made the welkin ring," at the colonel Hugh C. Wallace, of the conclusion of the celipse; and M. Arago, state of Washington, ex-Secretary William C. Whitney and Hon. Daniel Lamont. It first took shape at the Whitney dinner in New York some weeks the extinction and reappearance of the ago. Its purpose was to disorganize the Bryan Democracy. excitement was equally great. "Long At the time Dewey had not been consulted and Wallace was delegated to approach the admiral. Just before the Deweys went south Wallace called on the admiral, and stated the proposition and assured him that it would be possible to capture the Kansas City convention by keeping the scheme quiet until the proper time to spring it. Dewey discouraged the idea but frankly admitted that he would aid any movement to defeat McKinley. When the admiral and Mrs. Dewey returned from the south, Wallace approached him again and this time he took the matter under advisement. Lamont called at the Dewey home and was in conference with the admiral for an hour. Mrs. Dewey was in this conference, and advised her husband to become a candidate. It was agreed at the time that the announcement should be made only indirectly until the effect of the suggestion could be tested. After Lamont had returned to his hotel the admiral sent for Charles S. Albert, the chief of The World's Washington staff, and gave to him the dictated interview. The idea of the engineers of the movement was to ascertain if the Dewey announcement would meet with such popular favor as to carry the country by storm, and at are not in use, that the safe receptacle least deadlock the Kansas City about the ciothing of the owner is an convention with the possibility of either nominating him or nominating some one other than Bryan. Dewey on the other looks as if these new pockets would hand is bitter toward McKinley, be as safe as any that could be deas is also Mrs. Dewey, largely for personal reasons, and he is willing now to head an independent movement if he can draw enough Republican votes to assure even Bryan's election. His candidacy has fallen flat. His pro | company to recover \$25,000 in the Sumoters are unwilling for him to head any movement that might

> Bryan, and there is already a threatened split between the new candidate and those responsible for his candidacy. All factions are now waiting for deother move. If after the first wave of disapproval and resentment the reaction is in favor of Dewey he will be urged by the Lamont faction to continue his race, and go to Kansas City a

assist instead of detract from

upon its possible results. In the meantime Dewey says he is a Pitts' Antiseptic Invigorator has Democrat. There is not the slightest probability that he can capture the Kansas City convention, and if Dewey runs as an burns. It is as good antiseptic, when locally independent it is frankly ad-spelled, as anything on the market. P. S.—I am using it new myself.
It's doing me good.—Sold by The Murrary Drug Co., Columbia, S. C., and all will poll the anti-administration

The Miles Av Drug Co. tf Republicans and elect Bryan.

Just the Man They Want.

The New York World pretends to believe that the nomination of William McKinley for a second presidental term can be prevented. We doubt if The World la believes any such thing. If it does, it is entitled to the medal for simplicity. William McKinley is the inevitable nominee of his party for the next presidency. He will be nominated by acclamation. No other name will be mentioned above a whisper in the national Republican convention. The World admits that for two years past the renomination of McKinley has seemed certain, but asks if the events of the last two months have not given a new aspect to the matter. The World adds:

"Republicans by the tens of thousands, loyal to the party and of the intelligence and character that have given it its strength, are moved to contempt and scorn by the base dickering and dealing of Hanna the 'fat-fryer,' are humiliated by the wabbling and somersaulting of Mr. Mc-Kinley. Must these honest, thinking Republicans confess that they are powerless? Can they not compel the selection of another candidate than this weak and vacillating and complaisant and therefore the more dangerous agent of the forces of militarism and monoply? Can they not compel the selection of a true representative of historic Republicanism a free, courageous candidate: a Man?"

The Atlanta Journal says that all The World says about the great and growing disaffection toward McKinley in the Republican party is true, but The World seems to forget that the Republican party is ridden, con-trolled and guided by bosses, and that the bosses are for Mc-Kinley. They are for him because they can control him He is just the man they want and they will put him in the lead. Those Republicans who are sore and kicking over McKinleyism will either have to take the medicine which the bosses prescribe or leave the party. Neary all of them will do the former. They are used to it.

WHY SHE WAS CAREFUL.

Wasn't Certain That the Prisoner Was Her Daughter and the Reason. Two days go there was at the police matines an old negro woman who was a leading witness against a younger woman, who was said to be her daughter. The old woman had sworn that "Ter de best ob her blief the girl was not her daughter." This puzzled the Recorder no little, and it being necessary to get mere witnesses, the case

was postponed until yesterday. Yesterday afternoon Miranda Johnson was again arraigned for acting in a disorderly manner and the old woman was present. Several witnesses swore positively that the prisoner was the old woman's child, and the Recorder turned to the old woman and said: "Old woman, why did you appear to be in doubt about Miranda being your

daughter the other day?" "Lawd bless yer, honey, Ise still in doubt 'bout dat matter." was the re-"Why?" asked the Recorder who

falt that he had a great mystery be-fore him. "Bekase," replied the old woman, "dar wus er misshur ob two bables er long time ago and de matter hain't d'ar till this day. You see my little baby was born en de same day dat annudder nigger 'oman's baby was er born and jest to play a joke on lke-

dat's my ele man-dey put de two bables wid me and tole him dat he war de fadder ob twins. Der got de bables de ladder ob twins. Der got de bables kinder mixed, and der jest gib me one ob dem and gibbed de udder 'oman de udder baby. And I doan know till dis day whedder der gibbed me de right baby er not. Dat am de r'ason dat I hain't gwine ter sw'ar reckless like 'bout dis gal in de cote." "I am going to fine Miranda \$10.75,"

announced the recorder "and, old woman, if you think she is your daughter you can pay the fits, and if you think she is not, you can let her work in the stockade for three weeks."

The old weman gave herself the benefit of the doubt and Miranda is working three weeks in the stockade.—Atlanta Constitution.

Pockets in Stockings. Stocking peckets are the latest fad, a New York dry goods man said the other day They are made to hold a roll of bills, jewelry and valuables that can be stored away in a small space. The pockets are worked into the top of the hose, serve the knee, and are made with a fastening, so that there is no danger of their contents falling out. There are so many sneak thieves who steal from bedrooms while the family is at dinner, from carriages and from other places where women are obliged to leave their money and jewelry when they absoute necessity. Feeling are not generally found in women's dresses, and the stocking pocket has suggested itself to some inventive genius. It

His Heart Displaced. .Dr. J. Sheldon Wright, who attended Martin Welge, 19 years old, after he was knocked down by a Brooklyn trolley car, was a witness for the boy the other day in his suit against the preme Court, Brooklyn. The physician testified that when as was called to attend Welge he found his heart displaced. It was suspended by a fibre and vibrated like a pendulum, swinging fully two inches to and fro. When Dr. Sheldon was called in he had little hepe of his patient's recovery. Since then he has somewhat improved. Mushroom Vaccination.

some hinds of musicoom afford a vaccine against the venom of saakes. The juice of the mushroom renders a person immune against the poison for a month or two. Proportion of Students.

A French seigntist has found that

In Germany one man in 213 goes to college; in Scotland, one in 520; in the United States, one in 2,000, and in

PITTS'

ANTISEPTIC INVIGORATOR!

Cures La Grippe, dyspepsia, indigestion, and all stemach and bowel troubles colic or cholers morbus, teething troubles with children, kidney troubles, bad blood and all sorts of sores, risings or felons, cuts and THE MURRAY DRUG CO.,

Columbia, S. C.

BUY NOW

Prepare to Shed Tears.

Prices of paper and paper bags are rapidly advancing, but you will tell us your troubles we may be able to help you

Columbia Stationery Co.,

Wholesalers of Bags, Paper, Twines, etc. COLUMBIA, S. C.

PRACTICAL EDUCATION

The Demand of the Times. Such is the Training afforded at MicFeat's School of Shorthand and Typewriting

COLUMB. S. C.

W. H. MacFeat, Court Stenographer, Principal. Terms reasonable. Write for eatalogue.

He Is Matchless. following from the Nerfolk ark, we most reverently say "As hero after hero proves unamen to the task of living with untarnhaurels, onr hearts swell with a han-ever ardent admiration for that magnificent man, Robert E. Lee.

> 000'S HIGH GRADE Farm Seeds.

to day one of the largest in this Con intry. A result due to the fact that quality has always been our consideration. We supply

all Seeds required for the Farm. GRIASS & CLOVER SEEDS. Cow Peas, Cotton Seed. seed Oats, Seed Corn. cioja, Navy & Velvet Beans, Sorghums, Broom Corn, Kaffir Corn, Peanuts,

Millet Seed, Rape, etc. Wood d's Descriptive Catalogue the fullest information about these and all other Seeds; best methods of out erops and practical hints as to what are likely to prove most profitable to grow. Gatalogue mailed free upon request.

T. W. WOOD & SONS. SEEDSMEN, - Richmond, Va. as seemed

ME BEST OF ALL IS THE New Ball Bearing Domestic

Attachments, Needles and Parts for Sewing Machines of all makes.

When ordering needles send sample. Price 27c per dezen. | 804 Gervais Street. Vanted in Unoccupied Terri-Agents tory.

219 Taylor Street,

Oriman Pays the EXpress

team Dyeing of every disription. Steam, Nap-

dular All work guar aled or no charge. Ortma Steam Dye Works

10 1 ain Street IBIA, S. C

an, Proprietor. Mu y's Hore-

l'ar. and colds. coug ppe. La remedy. sure Price 25 cents. All I ggists.

DRUG CO., BIA, S. C. EY CURE THE K

BRIETY CURES

Alceh Opium (Merphine), a other narcotic drugs; als Address or combines all the best features tobacco

institute. Plain Street. 8.C. COLI e state. No other

STATE OW,

MENT, the Great Antiseptic Healer, cures Piles, Eczema, Sore Eyes, Granulated Eyelids. Carbuncies, Boils, Cuts, Bruises, Old Sores, Burns, Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Toenails, Inflammatory Rheumatism, Aches and Pains, Chapped Hands and Lips, Erysipelas. It is something everybody needs. Once used always used. For sale by all druggists and dealers. At wholesale by THE MURRAY DRUG CO., Columbia, S. C.

OLD NORTH STATE OINT

The South's Leading Products.

We are headquarters for the best line of machinery required for preparing the above for market, having a complete and extensive line of Saw Mills and Saw Mill Machinery, Cotton Ginning Machinery and Engines and Boilers.

The equipment of medern ginneries with the celebrated Murray Cleaning and Distrib-Sewing Machine sting System a specialty.

W. H. Gibbes & Co.,

COLUMBIA, S. C. Near Union Depet.

Man's strength lies in his stomach.

A poor, weak digestion debili-tates and impoverishes the body. No need confining one's self to French Dry and count, when with the use of 'Hilton's Life for the Liver and mice I cleansing. Send Kidneys" any kind of food may four new price list and be eaten with comfort. 25c a bottle. Wholesale by

THE MURRAY DRUG GO.

COLUMBIA, 8. C.

Complete Power Plants for

Factories and Mills. Engines, Corliss-Automatic. Mullein Plain Side Valves. Boilers, Heaters, Pumps. Saw Mills, from small plan-

tation mills to the heaviest mills in the market. All kinds of wood working Flour and corn milling ma-

Complete Ginning Systems-Lummus, Van Winkle and

Engines - Boilers - Saws -Gins in stock for quick deliv-

> V. C. Badham. 1326 Main Street.

COLUMBIA, S. C. The SMITH PREMIER

of the best Type Writer. For particulars address

I. L. Withers. COLUMBIA, S. C.